

Mary (Luke 1:26-35)(37)(2:19)

Many people today put an pedestal
for the wrong reason. Some people
are called stars or celebrities because
they look a certain way, say a certain
thing, or act a certain way. Not because
of who they really are. Mary is a
great example of this. Many religious
put Mary on a high pedestal and even
go so far as to pray to or worship
Mary. But the Bible knows nothing
of such a practice. However it would
do us good to look at this highly
favored young woman, and take from
her example some very important
lessons that we can endeavor to live out ^{for}

I. Mary was Usable - Although
Mary was a person a sinner just like
you and me, yet she was a virtuous woman.
When the angel said that she was going to
have a baby, she said this is impossible she
had never been married to ~~been~~ a man. She
tried to do what the Bible said when it came
to life + marriage. Now I don't think any of

you are marrying age, yet do you try to
be godly. God can use anybody. But God seeketh

II. Mary was Flexible - She was
engaged to Joseph. Legally binding. All
the plans have been made and this angel

shows up and changes the plans, not every thing goes as plan. Preacher was preach on the Star one Christmas. Every little of STAR held by child. R A T S. Not everything goes to plan. But Mary knew that God was working in the middle of her confusion his purpose Be flexible. Rom 8:28 ^{things work together for good} ~~God~~ knew that all

III. Mary was Believing - Vs 45 -

When the angle told Mary these things, she didn't instantly have a big old pregnant belly. She simply took the angle at his word. Do you know what faith is? Faith is taking God at his word. Heb 11:6 But w/o faith it is impossible to please 'God'. Before there was ever a sign that what God said can be pass, She took God at his word. Do you have ^{faith} ~~have~~

IV. Mary was Thankful - (46-50) This is called the the Magnificat - Mary was thanking and praising the Lord. Notice she called God my saviour. With her own life she is saying that I am a sinner in need of a saviour. She is saying thank you Lord for looking down and being merciful to someone as low as me. We all could be more thankful to God.

V. Close - Mary was not a God or even a celebrity - a little lonely resent girl ^{that God graciously used. He can use us}